

Celebration of local volunteers

For the 17th year, Glen Eira City Council celebrated the countless number of hours of voluntary service provided by members of the local community.

As part of *National Volunteer Week 2007*, Council presented its annual *Volunteer Recognition Scheme Awards* last month to 200 volunteers from 35 community groups.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Margaret Esakoff said volunteers are often hidden treasures who make a remarkable and very valuable contribution to the community.

"Every day, volunteers enrich the lives of people right across the City of Glen Eira," Cr Esakoff said.

"Their enthusiasm and commitment are the lifeblood of this community

and Council is delighted to have this opportunity, in front of family and friends, to publicly recognise the contribution volunteers make."

Awards were given to 60 people for 500 hours of service, 24 people for 1,000 hours of service and 29 people for 2,000 hours of service.

Volunteer Steven Smith told the *Glen Eira News* he was honoured to receive an award for 1,000 hours of service.

"My children are very proud of me," Steven said.

For 10 years, Steven has been volunteering for Grief Line, a confidential, non-biased support service offering guidance to people experiencing loss or grief in their life, including bereavement, health issues, relationship problems, depression and loneliness.

"I also volunteer once a week at Calvary Health Care Bethlehem and have been doing this for around four years," Steven said.

Calvary Health Care Bethlehem specialises in palliative care and is also widely recognised for its work in providing care to people with chronic neurological disability, and in particular, progressive neurological diseases.

Steven said many of the patients at Calvary don't have family members so he will sit and talk with them.

"At times I will also help feed some of the patients and take them for walks," Steven said.

Steven said for as long as he can remember, he has always been involved in volunteer work.

"Volunteering is very rewarding and

it makes me feel good to know I am making a difference," Steven said.

Special award for continuous service

A special award for 10 or more continuous years of service was also given to 87 people, including Vice President of Glenhuntly Athletic Club, Trevor Vincent.

A gold medallist at the 1962 Commonwealth Games in the 3,000 metres steeplechase, and a competitor in the same event at the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo, Trevor said he was very happy to be nominated as one of the representatives of all club members.

"It is nice to be recognised and I am pleased to receive this award," Trevor said.

Trevor has been a member of the Club since 1955 and has volunteered in a number of different roles.

"Currently, I manage publicity, help with the Club's website, and I am the first point of contact for recruitment queries," Trevor said.

"I also manage the Club's road running and cross country teams during the winter months."

In the past, Trevor has been Club President, has managed both Victorian and National teams at National and International championships and has also been a Victorian and National selector.

He was also involved with the 2006 Commonwealth Games as a volunteer — for two years prior and during the Games — and was even selected as one of six people to represent the 15,000 volunteers and meet the Queen.



Glen Eira Mayor Cr Margaret Esakoff and Trevor Vincent.

Photo: Rob Churches.

Glenhuntly Athletic Club continues to be one of the best known and successful clubs in Australia. The Club is represented at local, state, national and international levels and has the largest membership base in Victoria.

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Reduced residential street tree planting

The prolonged drought and subsequent watering restrictions has resulted in Glen Eira City Council not only delaying its 2007 residential street tree planting, but reducing the number of trees to be planted from 1,600 to 400.

The 400 trees, which will be planted from early June, are to infill previously identified vacant sites along the City's main roads.

Council's Manager Park Services Laurie Unwin told the *Glen Eira News* the reduction was a necessary step to ensure Council can provide sufficient resources to maintain the existing young trees.

"Under normal weather conditions, newly planted trees generally require two years of watering for establishment," Mr Unwin said.

"However, with the continued warm and dry conditions, newly planted trees have difficulty coping with these extreme conditions, whilst other young trees are requiring more than two years watering, which has also stretched our tree watering resources.

"We expect to resume our normal planting programs once we return to more suitable weather conditions."

Mr Unwin said the current water restrictions prohibit Council from using any potable water for tree watering.

"Council would normally utilise water from the many water hydrants throughout the City, but now we are reliant on bore water to establish and maintain our trees," Mr Unwin said.

"We can now utilise three bores located within our parks to water all trees across the City, including trees along main roads, streets, shopping centres and parks and reserves."

Since the beginning of 2007, six watering tankers have been operating daily to provide water to young trees, but if the drought continues, some mature trees are also likely to require supplementary watering.

MAYOR'S COLUMN



Firstly, hearty congratulations to all our volunteers, including those awarded at Glen Eira City Council's Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on 17 May. Your dedication to the local community enriches the lives of us all — thank you.

On 14 June Council's Family and Children Services presents *School Readiness*, a session which will help parents determine if their child is ready for school. Places are limited so register early. For details of this and other educational sessions, download the *Family and Children's Services Training Calendar 2007* from Council's website, or pick up a copy from the Service Centre.

Council's Recreation department is busy with the redevelopment of Joyce Park in Ormond, set to continue throughout June. The Jasper Road (western) end of Joyce Park has had new pathways, landscaping and lighting installed. Works on the eastern section of the park are all expected to be completed by July.

With the Princes Park multi-purpose pavilion also due to be completed by July, Council's Capital Works division will be particularly busy. The multi-purpose, access all abilities pavilion will include four new change rooms, a kiosk, umpires' room, first aid room and separate toilets and showers.

Council's Finance Advisory Committee held a public meeting in late May to discuss Council's 2007–08 Budget. The Glen Eira community has until 8 June to provide any feedback, with the Budget due for approval in early July.

Award winning songstress Lisa Miller will kick off Council's popular *Winter Music Series* on 3 June. The *Series*, which runs until August, is jam packed with an exciting and diverse range of performers and musical styles, from classical, acappella and klezma to gypsy tangos, urban pop and contemporary rock genres.

Council's Youth Consultative Group's (YCG) graduation night will be held on 6 June. I will be presenting certificates to YCG participants, who over the last 12 months have been responsible for organising and facilitating events such as *The Big Splash Out* and *Bentleigh East Skate Jam*.

Cr Margaret Esakoff
Mayor

Facing up to environmental challenges

Patience, horticultural expertise and the ability to keep an open mind have allowed Glen Eira City Council Grounds Maintenance Co-ordinator Peter Todd to rise to the challenge of maintaining Glen Eira's sportsgrounds through Australia's worst drought.

Since joining Council's Parks and Gardens team 14 years ago, Peter has ensured Council's 45 sportsgrounds are safe and fit for the 6,000 sports people, 330 clubs and different user groups throughout Glen Eira.

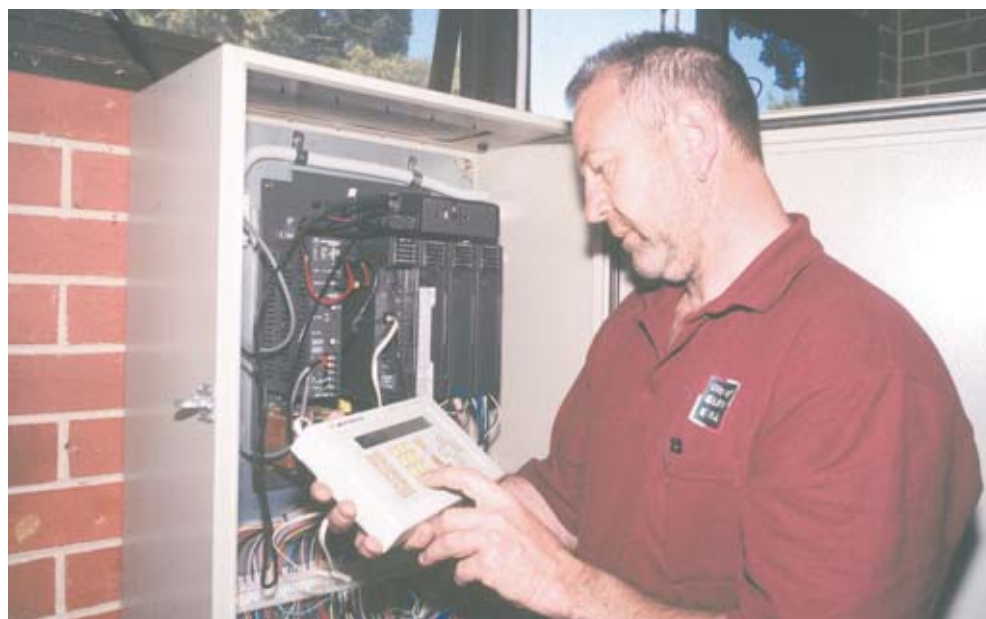
Part of Peter's role has also required him to be closely involved with Council's water saving initiatives through the implementation of a computer controlled irrigation system.

"The system monitors soil moisture, rainfall levels and electronically programs watering on all sportsgrounds around the City at night," Peter said.

"It is the most efficient way of watering as evaporation loss is reduced by watering at night and moisture sensors ensure no over-watering occurs."

Peter said one of the most recent water saving projects he has been involved with was the redevelopment works at Marlborough Reserve.

"A drip irrigation system has been installed which will save around 30 per cent of water usage compared to a



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Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

conventional system," Peter said.

Peter said Council's other ground maintenance initiatives have also been developed around the current weather conditions and water restrictions.

"The drought has made my job challenging in recent years as I have had to consider different ways of doing things," Peter said.

He said the use of drought tolerant grass species and wetting agents, which assist with water penetration in the turf, are just some of the ways Council is going about maintaining its grounds during the

water restrictions.

"Council's three bores at Caulfield Park, Lord Reserve and Bailey Reserve are also all operational and are being utilised to water at risk street and park trees," Peter said.

Peter is always interested in new ways of doing things and his efforts have paid off as Council is leading the way in irrigation technology.

"It's rewarding to know that other councils and bodies are looking to Glen Eira to see how things are being done here," Peter said.

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DEADLINES

The deadline for next edition (July) of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 6 June for delivery 30 June and 1 July.

Coming deadlines

The deadline for the August edition of the *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 11 July for delivery 4 and 5 August.

For advertising and *Community Diary* enquiries contact 9524 3447.

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Facelift for McKinnon Reserve Oval Two

McKinnon Reserve Oval Two is planned to receive a much needed facelift, thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the State Government.

The Oval, which is closed for training due to limited grass cover, will be

resurfaced with drought tolerant grass.

The grant is part of the first phase of the *Drought Relief for Community Sport and Recreation Program*, which is available to every Victorian council on stage three or four water restrictions, to reduce the impact of the drought on local sport and recreation facilities.

Council's Acting Manager Recreation and Youth Services Byron Douglas told the *Glen Eira News* there are many benefits from the resurfacing of Oval Two.

"The new surface cover will not only cope with the drought conditions, it will also help cope with the very heavy use this sports area gets from training and match play," Mr Douglas said.

"It will also assist with the wear and tear from school bookings and general use by residents."

Mr Douglas said resurfacing will also reduce water usage by up to 50 per cent.

"There will also be a reduction in mowing costs as the new couch surface will not need to be mowed as frequently as ryegrass," Mr Douglas said.

Council has already undergone resurfacing of three other grounds, including the main oval at McKinnon Reserve.

Works at McKinnon Reserve Oval Two will commence in November and will be completed by February 2008.

Phase two of Drought Relief Program

As reported in the May edition of the *Glen Eira News*, Council has also applied



McKinnon Reserve Oval Two will receive a much needed facelift.

Photo: Sally Brown.

for additional funding of up to \$40,000 for water saving projects, which includes the replacement of showerheads and taps in Glen Eira's 19 sports pavilions.

More than 140 water efficient showerheads and 230 water efficient taps will be fitted, reducing water usage within each shower by 30 per cent.

Mr Douglas said if Council is successful in securing this additional funding, this project will achieve water saving methods throughout all pavilions in the municipality.

"Not only will water usage be reduced, but the pavilions will receive a welcome upgrade," Mr Douglas said.

Council has also put forward three other projects for consideration:

- the installation of water tanks at Kings Park Tennis Club;
- the installation of water tanks and the trialling of Magnesium Chloride Hexahydrate, a chemical which can help prevent courts drying out, at Lauriston Tennis Club; and
- the emptying of the existing pool water at Carnegie Swim Centre and using this water (once treated) to water the Lord Reserve sportsground.

The State Government will inform Council by the end of June as to whether the four applications for water saving projects have been successful. ■

Pet owners to receive visit from Council

Attention pet owners. You could be receiving a visit from Glen Eira City Council's Civic Compliance Unit in the coming weeks.

More than 2,800 reminder notices have been sent out to dog and cat owners who did not renew their annual registration by the 10 April deadline.

Council's Manager Civic Compliance John Bordignon said the renewal rate was disappointing and represented a lack of regard by pet owners of responsible pet ownership.

"Pet registration is the key to responsible pet ownership and is the key to pet identification," Mr Bordignon said.

"Pet owners not responding to the reminder will be visited in early June and could be fined up to \$215 if they still refuse to pay the registration."

Mr Bordignon said registering your cat or dog will not only save the owner a lot of heartache, but it will assist Council in finding the animal's owner as soon as possible should their pet be found wandering.

"The current maximum registration fee for dogs is \$114 and \$75 for cats, however, substantially reduced fees are offered," Mr Bordignon said.

"Reduced fees apply for pets that are sterilised, microchipped, are more than 10 years old, have had obedience training, are kept for work stock or breeding purposes or are registered with the Victorian Canine Authority or Feline Control Council," Mr Bordignon said.

"Pensioners who have a valid concession card are also entitled to a discount."

Under the *Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994*, all dogs and cats more than three months old must be registered annually with Council.

Fees help provide important pet related services, such as proactive park patrols, enforcement, pound services and education campaigns promoting responsible pet ownership.

Registration forms are available from Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or from www.gleneira.vic.gov.au ■

News in Brief

Family Day Care breakfast

Children, parents and careproviders celebrated the joys a family brings at Glen Eira City Council's Family Day Care breakfast last month.

Held in DC Bricker Pavilion, Princes Park, the breakfast was held as part of *National Families Week*.



Face painting was just one of the activities enjoyed by children at the breakfast.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

A fun filled morning was enjoyed by all and included face painting, family art activities as well as a barbecue breakfast.

If families are interested in using Family Day Care as a quality child care option, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Keep culturally informed

Glen Eira City Council runs a program of art and cultural activities all year round, including exhibitions, indoor concerts, community festivals, literary programs and *Carols by Candlelight*. Stay in touch with the great range of activities by joining Council's Art and Culture mailing list. Send an email to sgallagher@gleneira.vic.gov.au with your name, postal and email address to be in the running for a double pass to one of the *Winter Music Series* concerts or an art exhibition catalogue pack.

The personal information requested is required primarily for the purpose of this competition as well as to receive regular updates from Council about its arts activities. Your information will

only be shared with those responsible for coordinating the Arts and Culture mailing list.

If you would like to know more about privacy at Glen Eira City Council, including your right to seek access to any information collected on this form, please contact council's Privacy Officer on 9524 3422.

Successful parenting seminar

More than 70 parents and carers attended the recent Glen Eira City Council Youth Services parenting seminar.

Held during *National Youth Week*, clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller provided parents with new ideas and practical skills to assist with parenting teenagers in the home.

Youth Services will be holding another seminar in September. For further information, contact Youth Services on 9579 7963.

Neighbourhood Watch School Program available to Glen Eira schools

A program designed to reduce the incidence of arson, property damage and burglary is now available to primary and secondary schools in Glen Eira.

The *Glen Eira School Neighbourhood Watch Program* has been developed by Glen Eira City Council, in conjunction with Victoria Police, the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, Neighbourhood Watch and the Department of Education.

Launched at Council's annual *School Principals' Forum* last month, McKinnon

Secondary College, Tucker Road Bentleigh Primary School and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College have already expressed a strong interest in participating in the *Program*, which is part of Council's *Community Safety Plan 2007*.

Council's Community Safety Committee Chairperson Cr Nick Staikos said the *Program* will minimise the incidence of preventable crime in local schools as well as antisocial, unsafe and undesirable after hours activity on school grounds.

"The *Program* will also increase the reporting of crime and suspicious activity on school grounds to the Police and encourage schools to identify problems and implement crime prevention measures where required," Cr Staikos said.

Implementing Neighbourhood Watch in schools

Cr Staikos said schools wanting to participate in the *Program* should contact Council.

"A school contact is nominated and copies of the *Glen Eira School Neighbourhood Watch* resource kit is then sent to the school," Cr Staikos said.

"Victoria Police and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade will then liaise with the



Tucker Road Bentleigh Primary School Principal Stan Oakley, Frank Yaman from the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, Cr Nick Staikos from Glen Eira City Council and Inspector Margaret Lewis from Caulfield Police Station.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

school and conduct a safety audit, which will provide written recommendations to the school on how they can improve safety, as well as crime and fire prevention advice."

Cr Staikos said following the audit, local residents will be advised of the *Program's* implementation and the process in reporting any suspicious activity around the school.

"There will also be signage out the front

of the school with a contact number for residents to report any potential criminal activity that may be occurring in or around the school grounds," Cr Staikos said.

Schools wanting further information on the *Glen Eira School Neighbourhood Watch Program* or would like to register their interest can contact Council's Public Health and Community Development Unit on 9524 3333.

CEO'S COLUMN



Quality of life in Glen Eira depends on the quality of the environment.

Glen Eira City Council works actively with the community and with other agencies to protect and improve our environment for current and future generations.

Council's commitment to environmental sustainability is seen in a broad range of policies and programs relating to gardens, parks and public spaces, public health, transportation and waste management.

Some of the initiatives Council has undertaken include the distribution of free woodchips from Council's bundled branch program, the planting of drought tolerant grasses in parks, the fitting of moisture sensors to irrigation systems to ensure no over-watering occurs and a fortnightly recycling and green waste collection.

There are a number of ways Glen Eira community members can also do their bit to help the environment: from mulching the garden, planting drought tolerant plants and starting a compost bin, to riding or walking to work or catching public transport.

These and other initiatives ensure the community can live, work and play in an environment that is clean, comfortable and free from pollution.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer

Cervical Cancer Vaccination Program commences

Glen Eira City Council has commenced a two year Cervical Cancer Vaccination Program, with 2,130 school girls receiving their first dose of Gardasil.

Council's Immunisation Team



Madison Kamaretsos from Shelford Girls Grammar receives her first dose of Gardasil from Council's Immunisation Team.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

administered the vaccine at 13 secondary schools across the municipality, which prevents infection from human papillomavirus (HPV) strains 16 and 18.

Girls in Years 7, 10, 11 and 12 will receive another two doses of the vaccine in June and September. In 2008, Council

will vaccinate 1,600 girls in Years 7, 9 and 10.

The *Program* is just one of the many Council has in place. Year seven students are immunised against Hepatitis B and Chicken Pox, while year 10 students are vaccinated for Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough.

Council's Manager Public Health and Community Development Mark Saunders said Cancer Council of Victoria figures show around 150 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer every year.

"HPV causes around 70 per cent of cervical cancers, mostly affecting females aged 20-24," Mr Saunders said.

"In 98 per cent of cases, HPV clears by itself, but if the virus persists and is left undetected, it can lead to cervical cancer.

"However, this is very rare and usually takes about 10 years."

Females aged 18-26 can be vaccinated for free in a catch initiative via GPs. Women over the age of 26 who would like to be vaccinated will need to pay around \$460 for the three injections.

Motorists reminded to take extra care

Glen Eira City Council is calling on all motorists to take care and obey the 40km/h speed limits around schools.

The call follows the 12 month disqualification of a driver who was clocked speeding at almost 60km/h over the speed limit down a Brighton East street and passed two school campuses.

The 27-year-old driver sped down the suburban street at 109km/h during

school hours, while students and other pedestrians were present.

The 40km/h limits apply on main roads on school days from 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm where the speed limit is 60km/h. In residential streets where the speed limit is 50km/h, it is 40km/h at all times if a school fronts onto that residential street.

Council's Manager Traffic and Parking Carl Russo reminds motorists to comply

with the speed limits and parking restrictions within the vicinity of schools or face hefty fines.

"Let this scenario be a warning to all motorists that speeding and illegal parking in the vicinity of schools will not be tolerated," Mr Russo said.

"Council and Victoria Police are working together to monitor all school crossings and streets near schools within the municipality and will not hesitate to

issue a fine if a motorist is doing the wrong thing."

Mr Russo said safety is of paramount importance to Council, especially where children are concerned.

"With an increased amount of pedestrian traffic before and after school, it is vital for all motorists to ensure they are not putting children's safety at risk," Mr Russo said. ■

BUSINESSNEWS

Calendar of events

Financial controls for small business seminar

Date: Thursday 14 June

Time: 6.30pm–8.30pm
(6.15pm registration)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Cost: \$20

RSVP: Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

If you are currently controlling the financial side of your small business, this seminar will give you a better understanding of current financial issues. It will critically analyse the financial side of your business, examine and refine your procedures and look at how you can minimise financial risks.

Introduction to strategic business planning and Financial controls for small business are part of the State Government's *Under New Management Program*. The development of this *Program* was funded by the Minister for Consumer Affairs from the Victorian Property Fund.



Glen Eira Women's Business Network

Date: 21 June

Where: Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Time: 7pm–9pm (light supper and networking on arrival)

Cost: \$15

RSVP: 18 June to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

Presented by Barrett's Organisational Development Manager, Fiona Fouvy, *Mind Your Emotions — Enhancing your Emotional Intelligence* is designed

to provide you with a model for understanding how your thoughts can influence how you feel and behave and actually cause you to create your own reality.

Following on from the November 2006 session, which looked at how to create the "business you" by creating awareness around your thoughts and how they create your reality, Fiona will explain how choosing helpful thoughts can help you feel happier. She will also show you how helpful thoughts enable you to better manage your emotions and assist you with achieving both your business and personal goals more quickly and easily.

The discussion will be based on cognitive behavioural therapy and research and will also highlight the commonalities between this western psychological framework and the law of attraction and mindfulness.

Fiona has been with Barrett for three years and works with clients to identify and reinforce the behaviours and culture needed within the organisation to achieve its goals and objectives. Fiona's qualifications are in Psychology, Business Management, Psychotherapy and Healing and she is currently undertaking a Master in Clinical Psychotherapy.

Introduction to strategic business planning seminar

Date: Wednesday 28 June

Time: 6.30pm–8.30pm
(6.15pm registration)

Where: Caulfield Cup Room, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Cost: \$20

RSVP: Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

If you are ready to take the next step in growing your business, this seminar will help you understand the importance of setting a vision, determining the company culture and how to put together a one page business plan. ■

Successful Business and Retail Expo

Glen Eira City Council's Auditorium was abuzz with business networking and information sharing at last month's Business and Retail Expo.

Held as part of *Small Business Month*, the *Expo* was designed to bring an array of information to businesses, allowing them to explore new ideas and assist them in running their businesses today.

Exhibitors included marketing specialists, footpath trading furniture designers, accounting firms, sign specialists, printers, graffiti busters, financiers, web designers, point of sale companies, shop fitters, the Office of The Commissioner for Small Business, the Australian Taxation Office and many more.

Council's Manager Business Development Lynda Bredin said for a three hour, mid week event, the *Expo* was considered by many of the exhibitors to be a great success.

"One exhibitor was astounded with the response he received and said it was the best exhibition he has attended, with more than 100 business information enquiries on the night," Ms Bredin said.



The mid week Expo was considered by many exhibitors to be a great success.

Photo: Rob Churches.

Competition winners

Attendees of the *Business and Retail Expo* had the opportunity to enter two competitions, which were drawn on the night.

Council would like to congratulate Leonie Broman, the winner of the \$1,200 *AWN Mobile Modular Street Trading Unit*, and Dianne Iapozzuto, the winner of the Daylesford indulgence package for two, courtesy of Jetset in Elsternwick. ■



The Expo was designed to bring an array of information to businesses, allowing them to explore new ideas and assist them in running their businesses today.

Photo: Rob Churches.



Glen Eira City Council is responsible for protecting, nurturing and improving the City's natural and built environment. Council is continually exploring ways to improve its environmental performances through a combination of organisational and planning policies, environmental management and well-planned operations. This feature provides an overview on how Council is improving the environment and the services and resources available to the Glen Eira community.

Glen Eira residents embrace recycling service

Glen Eira residents deserve a pat on the back for keeping the environment clean and green.

Since the rollout of Glen Eira City Council's recycling bins in July 2006, recycling within the municipality has increased by six per cent.

Around 700 tonnes of recycled material has been collected every fortnight since the 240 litre wheelie bins with yellow lids replaced Council's existing crate-based recycling service.

The change to Council's recycling services was based on the results of an independent survey of residents in 2005, which showed majority support for the

introduction of wheelie bins.

Council's Manager Waste Services Doug Griffiths told the *Glen Eira News* the wheelie bins not only provide a safer system of collection, but they are more convenient for residents.

"Not only do the wheelie bins hold more than the crate did, but there is no need for residents to separate their papers from plastics and boxes from bottles," Mr Griffiths said.

"All recycled materials can be conveniently placed in the one bin."

Mr Griffiths said because of the variety of materials that can be placed in the bin, residents are embracing recycling

more than ever.

"In the past, people would have just thrown small items, like envelopes and even junk mail, in the rubbish," Mr Griffiths said.

"However, now people are really thinking twice about what they are throwing in the rubbish bin and what they can put out for recycling.

"Council's annual *Residential Waste and Recycling Services Guide*, which will be hitting the letterboxes in June, provides a list of items which can be placed in the wheelie bins and I encourage all residents to read this."

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre 9524 3333. ■



Since the rollout of Council's recycling bins in July 2006, recycling within the municipality has increased by six per cent. Photo: Sally Brown.

Getting rid of rubbish is just a phone call away

Glen Eira residents are reminded that it takes just one phone call to get rid of unwanted hard rubbish items.

Glen Eira City Council provides a hard rubbish collection service which residents can use to relieve themselves of items that can't be put out in the regular garbage collection, such as furniture and household appliances.

Council's hard rubbish collection service is provided to Glen Eira residents on a four-week cycle — collections are made in one of four areas across the municipality once every four weeks on a pre-booked basis.

All people have to do is phone Council's Service Centre to find out when the next collection in their area is and register their address and the type of items they

need collected.

They should then place the material out on the Sunday before the collection week. Council's contractor plans the most efficient route and allocates an appropriate collection truck based on the bookings received. Steel items may be collected by a separate truck.

Unfortunately some residents use the nature strip to recycle unwanted goods without realising the detriment this causes to the amenity of the streetscape. If the Council hard rubbish service is used correctly the rubbish will be removed within 48 hours minimising the nuisance to other residents.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre 9524 3333. ■



Residents should ring and book a collection and place their hard rubbish out on the Sunday before the collection week. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Residential Waste and Recycling Services Guide

Glen Eira City Council's 2007-08 Residential Waste and Recycling Services Guide will be delivered to households in June.

This *Guide* will tell you all you need to know about Council's waste services, including hard and green waste collection, garbage collection, street sweeping and what you can and can't recycle.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333. ■



The Guide will tell you all you need to know about Council's green waste collection. Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Council conserving resources at Town Hall

Glen Eira City Council is implementing a number of water conservation measures at Town Hall in an effort to reduce water usage throughout its operations.

During the next few months the following measures will be completed:

- installation of waterless urinals or microbial technologies to reduce water usage in male toilets;
- installation of flow restrictors to all taps within the building; and
- replacement of current dual flush cisterns with lower use dual flush cisterns.

Council's Building Co-ordinator Robert Mason said Council has implemented

a number of other environmentally friendly initiatives, including the management of energy resources.

"Council is progressively improving the energy efficiency of all its properties," Mr Mason said.

"Staff are regularly reminded of ways they can reduce energy consumption, such as turning off their computers when they leave at night."

Mr Mason said Council also undertakes a lighting levels review that involves delamping where lighting exceeds Australian Standards.

"For example, you may have eight fluorescent tubes in your office, but you only need three of these to give you enough light," Mr Mason said. ■

Showerhead exchange program to continue

Glen Eira residents wanting to swap their old showerhead for a free, water efficient one can now do so.

Following on from the successful *Showerhead Exchange Program* at Glen Eira City Council's *Party in the Park* on 1 April, residents will be able to visit Council's Service Centre in Caulfield or South East Water's Head Office in Heatherton and pick up a new, three-star rated showerhead.

The *Program* is part of a Victorian Government initiative to swap 260,000 water efficient showerheads over the next three years.

Council's Chief Executive Officer Andrew Newton said by installing the three-star rated showerhead, Glen Eira households could each save around 20,000 litres of water every year.

"Residents will also notice a reduction in their annual water bill and a reduction in energy costs for heating their hot water,"

Mr Newton said.

Residents wanting to participate in the *Program* must bring with them on the day:

- their old showerhead; and
- a copy of their South East Water bill.

Residents are also encouraged to check what type of hot water system they have as the three-star showerheads are not compatible with gravity fed, some instantaneous and some of the older hot water systems.

Tenants should also obtain consent from their property owner prior to making any modifications to their bathroom fixtures.

There will be a maximum of two showerheads per household.

Residents can pick up a new showerhead from Council's Service Centre, Monday–Friday between 8am and 5.30pm. Alternatively, you can visit South East Water at 20 Corporate Drive Heatherton, Monday–Friday between 8am and 5.30pm.



Residents will be able to visit Council's Service Centre in Caulfield South or South East Water's Head Office and pick up a new, three-star rated showerhead.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Keep eye out for rubbish dumpers

Glen Eira City Council is calling on all residents to look out for illegal rubbish dumpers.

Rubbish dumping not only shows a blatant disregard for Glen Eira's beautiful leafy environment, it considerably wastes Council resources.

Council's Manager Waste Services Doug Griffiths told the *Glen Eira News* in the past large quantities of rubbish have been dumped in quiet dead end streets, entrances to laneways, Council

car parks and even around charity clothing bins.

"These people are not making a donation. They are illegally disposing of their rubbish," Mr Griffiths said.

"Council needs the community's support to catch the culprits."

If residents see illegal dumping taking place, please take note of the vehicle registration number, the exact location, time and date, and then report the incident by contacting Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Leaders in caring for the environment

With the current drought, water restrictions and the focus on climate change, it is timely for Glen Eira City Council to provide the community with an update on ways Council is enhancing the quality of the City's environment.

Council is undertaking a range of initiatives to improve environmental performance, including the following:

Environment Advisory Committee

The role of the Environment Advisory Committee is to assist Council by providing recommendations in relation to policy development and strategic planning of policies and programs relating to the protection of the environment.

The Committee currently comprises of Council's CEO, Council's Director Assets and Facilities, Cr Steven Tang (chair), Cr Nick Staikos and Cr Helen Whiteside.

The Committee is in the process of drafting an *Environmental Action Plan*, making use of suggestions gathered from a *Community Environment Forum* which was held in March.

Water management

Council's Park Services is continually finding new ways to reduce the amount of water Council uses while minimising the impact on vegetation due to drought and associated water restrictions. In recent years this has lead to Council using 70 million litres less drinking water than it would have otherwise and is minimising the number of plants and trees lost to the drought.

Initiatives include using 1,600 cubic metres of recycled tree pruning mulch to garden beds and around at risk trees

throughout the City's parks and reserves, planting drought tolerant plants and resurfacing sportsgrounds with drought tolerant grasses.

Council has also upgraded its computer controlled irrigation system by installing soil moisture sensors, rain switches and mini weather stations in all sportsgrounds.

Roads and drainage

Where practical and affordable, Council uses recycled products in road and drainage works. These products include recycled concrete for road making, recycled rock for backfilling and road trenches and recycled rubber for speed cushions.

To reduce the risk of pollutants entering drains and flowing into Port Phillip Bay, Council's contractors are now required to control litter and sediment on worksites.

Council's new drain cleaning truck collects rather than flushes sediment and debris from Council's stormwater drains. Staff estimate the new truck will divert at least 1,000 tonnes of sediment from entering the bay with this sediment now going to landfill.

ECO-Buy

ECO-Buy, an environmental purchasing program initiated by the State Government and sponsored by the Municipal Association of Victoria, works with Victorian councils to increase the purchase of recycled greenhouse and environmentally friendly products.

Council has been working with the program since February 2003 and has made significant progress in selecting and using environmentally friendly products, such as copy paper, computer monitors, toner cartridges, fences, organic fertilisers and garbage bins.



Council Grounds Maintenance Co-ordinator Peter Todd activates the computer controlled irrigation system.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

MEETINGS AND CLUBS

The East Bentleigh Probus Club meets at Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street on the second Tuesday of the month from 9.30am. All welcome.
Contact: Otto 9557 8236.

Bentleigh Life Activities Club offers opportunities for seniors to meet new friends and enjoy activities such as table tennis, card games and music. New members welcome.
Contact: Gotu 9557 2562.

Murrumbeena Bowls Club has commenced its Social Bowling Season on Thursday and Saturday from 12 noon.
Contact: 9568 5144.

Carnegie/Murrumbeena Senior Citizens Club meets at Carnegie Library and Community Centre for cards, community singing and bingo on a Friday. Contact: 9568 2727.

Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliaries (Caulfield branch) meets at the Alma Club, 1 Wilks Street, Caulfield North, on the third Wednesday of each month from 1pm. New members welcome.
Contact: Pat 9571 2666.

Caulfield Combined Probus meets at Gladys Machin Hall on the first Wednesday of each month at 10am. Come along and listen to our interesting speakers. All welcome.
Contact: Ron 9571 1563.

Club 66 holds old-time, modern and new vogue dances with a live band at Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, 495 Centre Road, Bentleigh on the first and third Saturday each month from 8pm. Cost: \$7. Contact: 9587 1092.

Ormond Angling Club meets at 462 North Road, Ormond on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 8pm. Male, female and junior membership welcome. Contact: Walter 0400 508 330.

Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group holds classes in all mediums at Moorleigh Village, 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East from Tuesday to Saturday each week. New members welcome.
Contact: Jill 9579 0967.

Murrumbeena Playgroup Inc. holds playgroup sessions for pre-school children at Community of Christ Church Hall, corner Poath and Dalny

Roads, Murrumbeena throughout the week. Contact: Enrolment Officer 0432 271 204.

Godfrey Street Community House holds various computer classes including introduction to computers, internet/email, word, digital photos and ebay. Contact: 9557 9037.

Moongala Community House offers computer classes, ESL classes, self-help groups, sessional childcare and pre-school music program at 824 Centre Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: Julie or Jude 9570 3468.

EVENTS

Southern Victoria Community Action Group is hosting an urgent meeting about the proposed 8,750acre Hastings Port expansion (land use and transport strategy) at Chelsea Function Centre, corner Station Street and Thames Prom, Chelsea on Monday 4 June from 7.30pm. Contact: 5998 8182.

Music Lovers Society is hosting a concert at Ewing Memorial Uniting

SCHOOL READINESS

Family and Children's Services presents School readiness

Thursday 14 June
Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatre
7.30pm to 9.00pm (7.15pm registration)
Cost: \$5 per person
Bookings close Friday 8 June

Is your child ready for school? What is readiness and how do you know if your child is ready?

Guest presenter Head of Mount Scopus Memorial College Primary School and lecturer at Melbourne University Rene Silbermann will discuss school readiness.

This session is for parents, grandparents, playgroups and early childhood professionals.

Limited places available. Registration and payment must be received prior to each session and in accordance with registration closing dates as listed. For a copy of the registration form or for further details about the sessions, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au
Receipts will be issued on the night.

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Church, corner of Coppin Street and Burke Road, Malvern East on Saturday 30 June from 8pm. Contact: 9571 0850.

COMMUNITY

Auskick May to mid August season has commenced at Packer Park, Leila Road Carnegie on Saturdays from 9am. Cost: \$50 includes back pack.
Contact: Josh 0417 727 923.

5/6th Central Moorabbin Scout Group is now recruiting. Find out about the Bentleigh Rotunda at Centre Road on Saturday 16 June from 9am. Join the biggest scout group in Glen Eira.
Contact: Andrew 0408 317 984.

Glen Huntly Combined Playgroup has vacancies for a new playgroup on Mondays from 2pm till 4pm. Contact: Stephanie 0438 329 733.

Volunteer tutors wanted to deliver courses to senior members of the Glen Eira community. Immediate opportunities for French language tutor and oil painting tutor. Contact: 9572 0571.

Ormond-McKinnon Community

Glen Huntly Friendship Group

99 Grange Road, Glen Huntly

Enquiries and bookings
Margaret 9596 6124

Thursday 28 June

Bus trip to Daylesford

Gold and mineral water have been at the heart and life in Daylesford and Hepburn Springs ever since the area was first settled by Europeans in the early 19th century. There are at least sixty five mineral springs recorded by John Hepburn in 1836. Gold was discovered in 1851. Today a vibrant, cosmopolitan community boast a rich and varied culture.

Come with us for an interesting and enjoyable trip. Depart Glen Huntly at 8.24am and 185 Poath Road Hughesdale 9am.
Cost \$38.50 includes morning tea and lunch.

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Bank® Branch committee is calling for the local community to fill out a pledge form. Pledge forms are available from Ormond IGA supermarket.
Contact: Alan 9362 8380.

Turning Point has launched two free services to help people in the Glen Eira area with drug or alcohol issues.
Contact: 1800 888 236 or visit counsellingonline.org.au

GLEN EIRA NEWS PHOTOS

Have you been photographed at a Glen Eira City Council event and would like a copy of the photo?



Photos that are published in the *Glen Eira News* are now available for sale by contacting Suzi on 9524 3447.



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IMMUNISATIONSESSIONS

JUNE

McKinnon Public Hall
118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon
Monday 4 June 10am-11am

Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium (entry via Glen Eira Road)
Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield
Tuesday 5 June 6pm-7pm
Tuesday 12 June 9.30am-10.15am

Carnegie Library
7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie
Wednesday 13 June 1.30pm-2.30pm

Packer Park
Leila Road, Carnegie
Monday 18 June 10am-11am

Bentleigh East
Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Centre
Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East
Wednesday 20 June 6pm-7pm
Saturday 23 June 9.30am-10.30am

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre
Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly
Wednesday 27 June 9.30am-11am

Holiday mania is back in July

The ever popular Glen Eira City Council holiday mania program will be held from 2–14 July.

Tickets go on sale on 23 June and will be available from Council's four libraries. Limited numbers apply to all events so book early to avoid disappointment. Events are age specific. For further information, contact 9524 3623.

Spaghetti the Clown

**Tuesday 3 July from 11am–12pm
Bentleigh Library**

Come along and enjoy an hour of music, singing, magic and games with Spaghetti the Clown. Tickets are \$6 and the show is suitable for all ages.

Pirates Magic Show

**Thursday 5 July from 2pm–3pm
Elsternwick Library**

Captain Twist the Pirate will captivate

Competition

Don't forget to enter Glen Eira City Council's holiday colouring competition. One lucky entry from each library branch will receive a clowning and magic pack. Entries close 22 July.

his audience with his tricky magic tricks woven amazingly through tales of the high seas. Tickets are \$6 and the show is suitable for all ages.

Super Dooper Music Show

**Wednesday 11 July from 11am–11.45am
Caulfield Library**

The Super Dooper Music Show is a fun interactive show full of songs and percussion. Tickets are \$6 and the show is suitable for children up to seven years of age.

Cartooning with author Geoff Kelly

**Thursday 12 July from 11am–12pm
Carnegie Library**

Author of *How to Draw Krappy Kartoons Really Well*, Geoff Kelly will show participants some of his cartooning tricks as well as demonstrating how to produce rough drawings, character design and finished illustrations. Tickets are \$6 and the workshop is suitable for 6–10 year old children only.

Saturday shakers — dance up a storm at the circus

**Saturday 14 July from 2pm–2.45pm
Carnegie Library and Community Centre — Boyd Room Level 1**

Join our circus troop as its members dance, sing and play a host of musical instruments. This free, fun and interactive show is about music new and old and is suitable for 3–10 year old children. No bookings are required.

Saturday shakers

A fun and interactive magic show will be held at Carnegie library on Saturday 9 June from 2pm–2.45pm. The show is suitable for all ages no bookings are required. For further information contact 9563 0971.

Reader's rewarded

Next time you visit one of Glen Eira City Council's four libraries, don't forget to ask for a Reader's Reward Card.

Just borrow five items or more at each visit, have the card stamped and on

the third and sixth visit complete an entry form to go into the draw for a winter indulgence gift pack including a broad collection of DVDs, CDs, books, magazines and special treats. Entries close 31 July.



By entering the Readers Reward Program, you can go into the draw for a winter indulgence gift pack.

Photo: Bernie Bickerton.

Wanted: New recruits for Youth Group

Are you aged between 15 and 19 and live, study or work in Glen Eira? Do you want to learn new skills and work behind the scenes of major events?

Then Glen Eira City Council's Youth Consultative Group (YCG) is looking for you.

Council's Youth Services is looking for new recruits for the YCG, a representative group of 10 to 13 young people who are responsible for hosting youth events in the municipality, such as *The Big Splash Out* and the *Annual Bentleigh East Skate Jam*.

YCG participants will not only enhance their personal skills while they gain experience in a professional environment, but they have the opportunity to be a voice for their peers.

The Group commences in July 2007 for a 12-month period and will meet on a fortnightly basis. The Group will also benefit from specialist training, such as event management.

If you would like to join, or for further information, contact the Youth Information Centre on 9579 7963 or email youthservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au



The YCG is responsible for hosting events such as the Bentleigh East Skate Jam.

Photo: Les O'Rourke.

Uncovering issues for young men

Year 9 boys from St James Secondary College will be the first to participate in Glen Eira City Council Youth Services new Young Men's Program.

The seven week *Program* will cover topics such as:

- self esteem;
- effective communication;
- anger management;
- breaking down the stereotypes;

- body image;
- men's health; and
- goal setting.

The *Program* will be open to all young men who live, work or study within the municipality later this year.

For further information on the *Young Men's Program*, contact the Youth Information Centre on 9579 7963 or drop into the Centre at Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh East.

Youth Information Centre

The Glen Eira City Council Youth Information Centre is located at Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh East.

The centre is open to young people aged 10–25 and their families who live, work or study within the City of Glen Eira.

The latest posters, brochures and information cards are now available for your family, school or service so please drop in and pick these up today.



EXHIBITIONS

Glen Eira City Council Gallery Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Phone: 9524 3333
Opening hours: Monday–Friday 10am–5pm, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays 1pm–5pm **Free admission**

SLOWING DOWN

Viewing until 10 June

A barrage of information and excessive demands on our time seem to be an inescapable burden in the time-poor, media saturated age we live in. The pace and pressures of everyday life combined with the flood of information through television, the internet and print can be exhausting. Keeping a job, rearing kids, running a household and maintaining relationships leave us with very little time to take stock and reflect. We need some time out.

Curated by Stuart Bailey, *Slowing Down* will look at the work of artists who try to escape the daily onslaught and pause to take stock. Artists who take time to order thoughts, meditate on ideas by doing, and sort and categorise information. This exhibition will look at



Ka-yin Kwok — News: October/November 2006, 2006, Single channel video.



Starlie Geikie — If you're early you're needy, if you're late you're greedy, 2006. Found embroideries, canvas, cotton fabric, cotton thread, Tasmanian oak.

the practice of seven artists whose works take the time to make sense of the mess.

Some artists make a steady and time consuming commitment to drawing simple, meditative works while others use careful and considered processes of classification to make sense of vast amounts of seemingly unrelated photographs. Some artists use the order of architecture and calming influence of gardens to develop large-scale paintings possessing a mesmerising and calming symmetry. Yet others take a more analytical approach and create something like a mind map, clustering related ideas and categories of information.

Slowing Down gives us the time and space to think, and perhaps even a moment to consider other things in life.

Artists include Dan Arps, Eugene Carchesio, Rozalind Drummond, Caroline Durré, Starlie Geikie, Claire Healy and Sean Cordeiro, Matt Hinkley, Ka-Yin Kwok and Justin Trendall.

FAR FROM HOME: RECENT ARRIVALS, THEIR CULTURE

Viewing from 15–28 June

You may have heard on the radio or seen on the television some amazing survival stories about refugees who are forced to flee from countries across Africa. However, very few of us have had the opportunity to learn about the history or see cultural objects and traditional art.

Far from Home: Recent Arrivals, Their Culture focuses on the art and ancient traditions of some African cultures represented among our recent immigrants with an attempt to promote greater community understanding of the history and wealth of heritage that all migrant people add to our 'multicultural society'.

Presented by the Sidewalk Tribal Gallery, Hobart, the works are created by skilled artisans who often inherit their role working in their traditional village to produce pieces for ceremonial, religious and utilitarian function.

Featuring artisans from villages in Sudan, Ethiopia, Democratic Republic

of Congo, Rwanda, Sierra Leone and Liberia, this exhibition also includes work from many other parts of Africa along with a spectacular collection of old ethnic jewellery and textiles collected from around the globe.

Since 1989 the Sidewalk Tribal Gallery collection has become internationally recognised for its quality and variety of African Tribal Arts. The gallery has built a reputation for its honest and fair dealings with the villagers and traders across Africa and is also acknowledged and respected for this practice among international collectors.



A composite group of traditional pieces from different cultures in Ethiopia, Sudan, Rwanda, Dem Rep of Congo, Liberia and Sierra Leone.

Far from Home: Recent Arrivals, Their Culture can be previewed from 10am on 14 June, with the official opening held that night at 6pm.

2007 Winter Music Series 2007 My Brother Jack Literary Festival

Glen Eira City Council's popular Winter Music Series returns from June to August, jam packed with an exciting and diverse range of performers and musical styles, from classical, acappella and klezma to gypsy tangos, urban pop and contemporary rock genres.

The Sunday afternoon series of seven concerts commences on Sunday 3 June with award winning Australian songstress Lisa Miller.

On Sunday 17 June, the *Raga Dolls Quartet* will entertain the crowds. The Quartet comprises of violin, piano accordion, guitar and bass and is led by violinist and composer David Osborne. David's original and eclectic rearrangements include waltzes and tangos of Baynes, Shostakovich, Massenet, Schubert and Johann Strauss II.

Completing the suite of fortnightly performances in July are the *Cappa String Quartet* playing Debussy, Shostakovich and Haydn, acapella superstars *Coco's Lunch* and *Klezmania*. Vika and Linda Bull and *Croque Monsieur* will perform in August.

Pre-purchased tickets are \$18 and \$16 concession or can be purchased at the door for \$20 and \$18 concession. Performances will be held in the Glen Eira Town Hall Theatre and Auditorium from 2.30pm–4.30pm. Doors open at 2pm.

Please note: *Klezmania* performances will be at 11am (doors open 10.30am) and 2.30pm (doors open 2pm).

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

At a glance

Raga Dolls Quartet — Sunday 17 June, Theatre
Cappa String Quartet — Sunday 1 July, Theatre
Coco's Lunch — Sunday 15 July, Theatre
Klezmania — Sunday 29 July, Theatre
Vika and Linda Bull — Sunday 12 August, Auditorium
Croque Monsieur — Sunday 26 August, Theatre



The Raga Dolls Quartet.

Practical workshops with Melbourne's finest poets and authors and the ever popular local writing Awards will feature at the 2007 My Brother Jack Literary Festival. The Festival is sponsored by the Baha'i Community of Glen Eira, Eastend Booksellers Pty Ltd and the Sunflower Bookshop in Elsternwick.

Workshops

Tips on getting published, short story writing for new and established writers, and writing lyrics with one of Australia's finest songwriters, Stephen Cummings, will be covered during the Festival.

Key tips for your writing success will be held on Sunday 17 June from 2pm–4pm. Award winning writers Marshall Browne and Michael Griffith, and Senior Editor of Hardie Grant Books, Emma Schwarcz, will discuss:

- how writers must distinguish themselves with a strong story, told compellingly, about characters and themes that resonate;
- the importance of knowing your target market;

- understanding your craft; and
- how to get published.

Cost is \$20 per person and \$15 for Glen Eira residents.

Key tips for your writing success is proudly sponsored by the Baha'i Community of Glen Eira.

Other workshops to be held throughout the Festival include:

- *The Art of Fiction: Essential knowledge for emerging writers* with Arnold Zable on Sunday 24 June from 10am–1pm. Cost is \$30 per person and \$20 for Glen Eira residents;
- *Finishing Touches: for works in progress* with Arnold Zable on Sunday 24 June from 2pm–5pm. Cost is \$30 per person and \$20 for Glen Eira residents; and
- *Writing Lyrics* with Stephen Cummings on Sunday 1 July from 2pm–4pm. Cost is \$20 per person and \$15 for Glen Eira residents.

All workshops will be held in the Caulfield Cup Room at Glen Eira Town Hall.

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Writers Read

Writers Read gives people the opportunity to meet with Melbourne’s finest poets and authors, including:

- Alex Skovron on Sunday 8 July from 2pm–3pm;
- *Thrilling Readers* with Garry Disher, Angela Savage and Robert Gott on

Sunday 15 July from 2pm–4pm; and

- *In Conversation with Suzy Zail and Michelle Schwarz* on Sunday 29 July from 2pm–3.30pm.

Cost is \$10 per person. Drinks and nibbles are included in the ticket price.

Literary Awards

People who live, work or study in the City of Glen Eira are eligible to enter the *Literary Awards*.

Major cash prizes are on offer for short stories and poetry in all three categories — junior, youth, and adult.

Glen Eira residents who attend any of the

workshops are entitled to one free entry into the *Literary Awards*.

Entries close Monday 20 August 2007.

For further information on the *2007 My Brother Jack Literary Festival* contact the Festival Co-ordinator on 9524 3333 or download a brochure from www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Награды местным волонтерам

Вот уже 17 лет муниципалитет Glen Eira специальной церемонией отмечает безвозмездные усилия местных волонтеров.

В апреле этого года, в рамках общенациональной *Недели волонтеров 2007*, муниципалитет вручил награды 200 местным волонтерам, представляющим 35 общественных групп.

60 человек получили награды за 500 часов волонтерской работы, 24 человека – за 1000 часов, и 29 человек – за 2000 часов.

Один из волонтеров, Steven Smith, рассказал корреспонденту *Glen Eira News*, как много значит для него получение награды за 1000 часов волонтерской работы.

“Мои дети очень мною гордятся,” сказал Steven.

Steven работает волонтером в конфиденциальной телефонной службе поддержки Grief Line, а также в медицинской организации *Calvary Health Care Bethlehem*.

Steven сказал, что он всегда в той или иной форме занимался волонтерской работой.

“Волонтерская работа приносит чувство морального удовлетворения. Я знаю, что мои усилия приносят реальную пользу,” сказал Steven.

Специальная награда за непрерывную работу

Специальную награду за 10 или более лет непрерывной работы получили 87 волонтеров, в том числе Trevor Vincent, вице-президент Клуба атлетики Glenhuntly.

Trevor сказал, что он рад был получить награду как один из представителей всего клуба.

“Я рад, что наши усилия получили признание,” сказал Trevor.

Trevor стал членом клуба в 1955г., и с тех пор работал в нем волонтером в самых разных ролях, в том числе отвечая за вебсайт клуба и команды, выступающие зимой в соревнованиях по кроссу и гонках по пересеченной местности.

Γιορτή για τους ντόπιους εθελοντές

Για 17^ο χρόνο, η Δημαρχία Δήμου Glen Eira γιορτάζει τις αμέτρητες ώρες εθελοντικής υπηρεσίας που πρόσφεραν μέλη της τοπικής μας κοινότητας.

Ως μέρος της *Εθνικής Εβδομάδας Εθελοντών 2007*, η Δημαρχία απένειμε τον περασμένο μήνα τα ετήσια Βραβεία του *Προγράμματος Αναγνώρισης Εθελοντών* σε 200 εθελοντές από 35 κοινοτικές ομάδες.

Βραβεία απονεμήθηκαν σε 60 άτομα για 500 ώρες υπηρεσίας, 24 άτομα για 1000 ώρες υπηρεσίας και 29 άτομα για 2000 ώρες υπηρεσίας.

Ο εθελοντής Steven Smith είπε στο ενημερωτικό δελτίο *Glen Eira News* ότι ήταν τιμή του που έλαβε το βραβείο για 1000 ώρες υπηρεσίας.

“Τα παιδιά μου είναι πολύ περήφανα για μένα” ανέφερε ο Steven.

Ο Steven εργάζεται εθελοντικά στη Γραμμή Πένθους, μια εμπιστευτική, αμερόληπτη υπηρεσία στήριξης και στην υπηρεσία φροντίδας υγείας *Calvary Health Care Bethlehem*.

Ο Steven είπε ότι απ’όσο θυμάται πάντοτε ασχολιόταν με την εθελοντική εργασία.

“Ο εθελοντισμός σε ανταμείβει πολύ και σε κάνει να αισθάνεσαι ωραία γνωρίζοντας ότι προσφέρεις κάποια διαφορά,” πρόσθεσε ο Steven.

Ειδικό βραβείο για συνεχή υπηρεσία

Ένα ειδικό βραβείο για 10 ή περισσότερα συνεχή χρόνια υπηρεσίας απονεμήθηκε επίσης σε 87 άτομα, όπως ο Αντιπρόεδρος του Αθλητικού Συλλόγου Glenhuntly, Trevor Vincent.

Ο Trevor είπε ότι ήταν πολύ χαρούμενος που τον πρότειναν ως έναν εκπρόσωπο εκ μέρους όλων των μελών του συλλόγου.

“Είναι ωραίο να σε αναγνωρίζουν και χαίρομαι που έλαβα αυτό το βραβείο,” είπε ο Trevor.

Ο Trevor είναι μέλος του Συλλόγου από το 1955 και έχει εργαστεί εθελοντικά σε διάφορα πόστα, από διαχείριση του δικτυακού τόπου του Συλλόγου έως τη διαχείριση των ομάδων αγώνων δρόμου και ανωμάλου δρόμου του Συλλόγου κατά τους χειμερινούς μήνες.

Celebrazione del volontariato locale

Il Comune di Glen Eira ha celebrato ancora una volta quest’anno, il 17esimo, l’innumerabile quantità di ore di servizio volontario prestate dai membri della comunità locale.

All’interno dei festeggiamenti per la settimana nazionale del volontariato *National Volunteer Week 2007*, il Comune ha consegnato il mese scorso i premi annuali *Volunteer Recognition Scheme Awards* a 200 volontari appartenenti a 35 gruppi comunitari.

Sono stati assegnati 60 premi per 500 ore di servizio, 24 premi per 1.000 ore di servizio e 29 premi per 2.000 ore di servizio.

Steven Smith, lavoratore volontario intervistato dal *Glen Eira News*, ha affermato di sentirsi onorato di aver ricevuto il riconoscimento per le 1.000 ore di servizio prestate.

“I miei figli sono molto orgogliosi di me” ha detto Steven.

Steven presta servizio volontario per la Grief Line, servizio di supporto confidenziale non-intenzionale, e per il *Calvary Health Care Bethlehem*.

Steven ha inoltre ribadito di aver prestato servizio volontario da sempre.

“Il volontariato può essere molto gratificante, ha detto Steven, e mi fa piacere sapere di poter fare qualcosa d’importante per gli altri”.

Premio speciale per servizio continuato

Un riconoscimento speciale per 10 o più anni di servizio continuo è stato assegnato ad 87 concorrenti, e tra di essi Trevor Vincent, Vicepresidente del club di atletica Glenhuntly Athletic Club.

Trevor ha affermato di essersi sentito molto onorato per essere stato nominato a rappresentare tutti i soci del club.

“È piacevole ottenere un riconoscimento e sono ben lieto di ricevere questo premio” ha ribadito Trevor.

Trevor è socio del Club dal 1955 ed ha prestato servizio volontario per diversi incarichi, dalla gestione del sito internet del Club alla direzione delle squadre sociali di corsa su strada e campestre durante i mesi invernali.

嘉獎本地的義務人員

Glen Eira 市政府又一次對本地社區成員無私奉獻無數小時的義務服務進行年度嘉獎，本次為第 17 個年度的嘉獎活動。

作為 “2007 年全國義工周” 的一部分，市政府上個月向來自 35 個社區團體的 200 名義工頒發了年度 “義工表彰獎”

其中 60 人獲得了 500 小時服務獎，24 人獲得了 1000 小時服務獎，29 人獲得了 2000 小時服務獎。

義工 Steven Smith 對 《Glen Eira 新聞》說，他為自己獲得了 1000 小時服務獎而感到非常光榮。

Steven 說：“我的子女也為我感到自豪。”

Steven 做義工的兩個機構分別是保密、無偏見支持服務 “悲傷救助專線” 和 *Bethlehem* 基督保健護理。

Steven 說，在他的記憶中自己一直進行義務工作。

Steven 說：“做義工非常有益，我知道自己在起一定的作用，這讓我感覺很好。”

連續服務特別獎

連續義務奉獻 10 年以上的 87 名義工獲得了特別獎，其中包括 Glenhuntly 田徑俱樂部副主席 Trevor Vincent。

Trevor 說他非常高興，因為他是作為俱樂部所有成員的代表被提名的。

Trevor 說：“受到表彰當然是好事，我很高興接受這個獎項。”

Trevor 自 1955 年起就一直該俱樂部成員，義務擔任了好幾個不同的職務，既管理過俱樂部的網站，也在冬季擔任過俱樂部公路長跑隊和越野長跑隊的領隊。

ADVERTISING IN THE GLEN EIRA NEWS

Are you looking to reach the Glen Eira community? Glen Eira City Council offers paid advertising space in its monthly newspaper — the *Glen Eira News*.

The newspaper reaches more than 124,000 residents each month through 56,000 households and businesses. It is a highly regarded publication, especially by the local community, for its attractive presentation and informative features on Council services and events.

The *Glen Eira News* offers a variety of advertising opportunities — colour and mono — with our standard advertisement size being 1 column (62.5mm) wide by 11cm deep.

For further information, a schedule of rates and bookings contact 9524 3447.

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GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL

Council sees community consultation as a vital part of its decision-making process. Consultation involves the community in Council’s planning and activities, and helps Council to understand the community’s priorities and issues.

Upcoming and current consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date	Where
Council Budget	Comments and submissions	Closes 8 June 2007	Glen Eira City Council PO BOX 42 Caulfield South 3162

Recent consultation opportunities

Subject	Type	Date
Council Plan	Comments and submissions	16 May 2007
Library and Information Service	Telephone survey of library members	May 2007

For further information about any of the above consultation opportunities, contact Council’s Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit Council’s website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Mallanbool Reserve has a story to tell

Glen Eira residents are fortunate to have a wonderful cultural and botanical interpretive trail at Mallanbool Reserve — one of Glen Eira's newest parks.

Located on the corner of Leila and Murrumbeena Roads, Murrumbeena, the interpretive trail allows visitors to learn about the Kulin (Aboriginal) people, who were the original inhabitants of the area. While much has changed for the Aboriginal people of today, one thing remains constant, and that is their connection to the land. The trail takes people on a journey through the Kulin way of life which included harvesting plants, fishing and hunting.

The botanical element of the trail outlines the native plant life that was abundant prior to European settlement. It also informs walkers on the different ways the Kulin people used the plants, which includes camouflage for hunting and medicinal purposes.

The trail has been installed beside the all weather, all abilities access pathway around Mallanbool Reserve. The brass signs have been mounted on slabs of red gum, which has been harvested from fallen timber. River red gum trees were common to the region and were very useful to the Kulin people for house and canoe construction and for making containers to hold water and nectar.

The Mallanbool interpretive trail will no doubt be a popular destination for residents to visit and pay tribute to the traditional custodians of this area.

For further information about Mallanbool Reserve, or for a copy of the *Walking in Glen Eira* brochure kit, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or TTY 9524 3496.

The *Walking in Glen Eira* brochure kit provides residents with nine self-guided walks, which incorporate some of Glen Eira's most popular parks, reserves and heritage site.



The interpretive trail allows visitors to learn about the Kulin (Aboriginal) people, who were the original inhabitants of the area.

Photo: Sally Brown.

Packer Park playground as good as new

All damaged equipment from the deliberately lit fire at Packer Park playground has been replaced and repaired.

The arson attack on the Carnegie playground, which occurred in November 2006, damaged more than 30 per cent of the playground equipment, including rubber under surfacing and a large tree.

Anyone who has information about this incident or notices suspicious behaviour around any of Glen Eira's parks should contact Caulfield Police on 9524 9500.



All damaged equipment has been replaced and repaired.

Photo: Sally Brown.

Lighten up Glen Eira

Sportsground lighting is currently being installed in many parks throughout Glen Eira.

New lighting is being installed at:

- Bailey Reserve (Oval One);
- Caulfield Park (Main Oval);
- EE Gunn Reserve (Main Oval);
- King George VI Memorial Reserve (Oval One and Two);
- Koornang Park;
- Mackie Reserve; and
- Princes Park (Oval One, Three and Four).

The new lighting not only provides a safer training environment for sports clubs, but allows these clubs to train in the evening.

New pathways installed

New pathways have recently been installed at Bailey Reserve and King George VI Memorial Reserve.

The new, all weather shared pedestrian pathways are part of Stage One works for both the parks and not only provide improved access for older adults and prams, but access for all abilities.

Three hundred metres of new pathway has been installed at King George VI Memorial Reserve linking the Chesterville Road entrance to the parks main facilities, including the car park, playground and pavilion.

One hundred metres of pathway has been installed at Bailey Reserve, linking the Gardeners Road playground to the car park, toilets and pavilion.

Centenary Park works

A new shelter and Exeloo toilet are the latest additions to Centenary Park in Bentleigh East.

The new all abilities toilet is situated on the Bignell Road side of the Park and was installed to reduce the walk to

amenities for players and spectators and the community.

Park users, players and spectators are also encouraged to take advantage of a new shelter that has also been installed in the park.

Marlborough Reserve revamped

The revamp of the Marlborough Reserve sportsground is now complete.

Works that have been completed during May include:

- reshaping the ground surface;
- installation of a drip irrigation system;
- drainage; and
- the installation of warm weather grasses.

To ensure the newly installed, drought tolerant grasses have a chance to grow and establish roots, the fences are expected to remain around the

sportsground until the end of June, but this will be weather dependant.

For the time being no sport or training will be occurring at this ground until next season.

Glen Eira City Council apologises for any inconvenience these works have caused.

In the meantime, the nearest dog walking areas are at the Duncan Mackinnon Reserve or Bailey Reserve.